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To all to whom these presents may come: Whereas I,  
Claiborne Evans on the day of the date of these presents, being  
the true, lawful and only owner or proprietor of a negro  
Woman slave named Aggy under & in virtue of a bill  
of sale from one James Shiphard of the City of Richmond  
(and) state of Virginia, bearing date on the eighteenth day  
of December in the year 1797, and being desirous to  
emancipate the said negro Aggy from the state & condition  
of slavery: Now know ye, that I the said Claiborne  
Evans by these presents, (and) by virtue of the Act of the  
General Assembly in such made & provided: HAVE and  
do voluntarily & completely to all intents & purposes  
whatsoever, (and) from the day of the date hereof henceforth  
& forever emancipate the said Negro Aggy from the state  
(and) condition of slavery, (and) she the said Aggy do forever  
acquit & discharge from all & every the services & duties  
incident or in any manner appertaining to the state  
(and) condition of slavery. In Witness whereof I have  
hereunto set my hand & seal this twenty first day of  
December in the year of our Lord One thousand, seven  
hundred & ninety seven.

Sealed & Delivered

In the presence of }

Claiborne<sup>his</sup> Evans  
mark

Geo. Dunlavy

Nathl. Childers



Evans  
to a Deed of  
Aggy's emancipation

10/paid AG for  
receiving copy this Deed

January 1<sup>st</sup> 1798 Acknowledged by  
Evans W & R.

Recorded & Examined

Attest  
Adam Craig, C. C.

At a Court held for Henrico County at the Court house on  
Monday the first of January 1798 This said Court of  
Emancipation was adjourned by William Evans a party  
thereto and Ordered to be recorded